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C O N F I D E N T I A L NAIROBI 7356

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: UNGA, EGEN, KE, KS
SUBJECT: KENYA DEL AT LIMA NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

REF: A. NAIROBI 6807 (NOT SENT LIMA)
B. STATE 186527 C. STATE 201426

1. PRESS AUG 25 CONFIRMS THAT FONMCN WAIYAKI DEPARTED FOR LIMA AS HEAD OF KENYA DEL TO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, ACCOMPANIED BY KENYA AMBASSADOR TO FRG MULIRO. AS REPORTED REF A, WAIYAKI THEN GOES ON TO SPECIAL SESSION AND 30TH UNGA IN NEW YORK.

2. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM ROK CHARGE D'AFFAIRES PARK THAT MFA DEPUTY SECRETARY KITI ASSURED HIM OF KENYA VOTE FOR ROK MEMBERSHIP IN NON-ALIGNED GROUP. REF B PLACED KENYA IN CATEGORY OF COUNTRIES WHICH MIGHT SPEAK IN ROK BEHALF AT LIMA; WE BELIEVE THIS IS POSSIBLE BUT GOK HAS ASSURED ROK EMBASSY ONLY OF ITS VOTE, NOT SUPPORT IN DEBATE.

3. WITH REGARD TO RECEPTIVENESS OF KENYA DEL (REF C, PARA 2), EMBASSY LIMA SHOULD BE AWARE THAT WAIYAKI HAS JUST CONCLUDED TWO-WEEK ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS IN CONFIDENTIAL

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NAIROBI WITH ALL KENYA AMBASSADORS AND CHIEFS OF MISSION,- A MAJOR THEME OF WHICH WAS NEED TOJINHANCE KENYA'S IMAGE ABROAD. GIVEN WAIYAKI'S RHETORIC AT INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS IN AFRICA SINCE HE BECAME FOREIGN MINISTER,

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WE WOULD JUDGE THAT HE MIGHT HAVE "IMAGE" PROBLEMS IF
COURTED TOO ASSIDUOUSLY BY NON-PARTICIPANT SUPERPOWER AT
MEETING OF THE NON-ALIGNED. HOWEVER, KENYA REMAINS MODERATE
ON MANY ISSUES OF INTEREST TO U.S., AND WE BELIEVE
DISCREET APPROACH TO OTHERS IN KENYA DEL COULD BE FRUITFUL.
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